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His bathrobe fell in cerise fold on fold
Above it, fever-blotches on the shadow.
He was tired and weak and cold.
He stared at the clear face as into a mirror,
His features—a curious mirror, Death!—
Frosted and uncertain at his sudden intruding breath.

THE OLD WEEP GENTLY

These old trees
Sigh in every leaf,
Look down their trunks
As if back down the years.
Old knots stay
Where limbs were torn away—
Little fist-rubbed faces
Of gargoyle grief;
While shadows
Slip down the trunks
Like tears.

LITTLE RABBIT

He said: "Let the night
Sweep down with swirling gestures!
The nightwind leaps like a flame!"
  And yet—
The firelight on the wall. . . . .